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For: FLOATATION SWIMSUIT
AND METHOD FOR
CONSTRUCTION THEREOF

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Dear Sir:

The final rejection dated March 26, 2002 has been received and reviewed.
Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment in response thereto.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated below. A clean copy of all of the pending claims is provided as an appendix to this response. A marked-up copy of the claims is also provided as an appendix hereto.

1. (Amended) A floatation swimsuit comprising:

a form-fitting torso covering, said form-fitting torso covering including a retaining pocket, a right arm covering, a left arm covering, a left leg covering, and a right leg covering;

a unitary floatation element for retention by said retaining pocket, said unitary floatation element including: